

RSPC Royal School Parent Connect

November Meeting Minutes

Date: November 19, 2025

Time: 6:03 p.m.

Location: Royal School

Attendance (In Person): Sara, Jani, Jenna L, Ally, Leanna, Kara, Craig Stalk (Vice Chair Trustee), Odette Megalaa (Guidance Counsellor – River West Park School)

Attendance (Online): Robyn, Jenna H, Tricia, Monica, Jessie

Regrets: Natasha, Heather

Action Items

- Pricing to be confirmed for triple ball hoop
- Leanna to send final order total to Tricia for Big Box Fundraiser
- Tricia to write check for Big Box Fundraiser

Principal's Update

Tanis presented the Principal's Report for November.

1. Enrolment Update – 200 (we started in September with 203)
2. [Fast Facts For Families](#) (divisional website resources)
3. [Trustees](#)
4. [Senior Admin Team](#)
5. Out Of This World update –
 1. grade 1/2C is germinating tomato seeds to determine whether seeds that have been in space will grow differently (or not at all) compared to seeds that have stayed on earth;
 2. grades 1-5 students will be taking part in the StarDome on January 22 – where the Manitoba Planetarium comes to school and sets up in our gymnasium!
6. Arbor Day 2026 – the City of Winnipeg has chosen Royal School to plant a tree on/near Arbor Day in spring 2026. More details in spring: we will have our grade 5 students take ownership of this tree!

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Kara raised a concern from families regarding conferences being held only during the daytime on a Monday.

Tanis explained that due to available PD day scheduling, November 10 was the best option. Parents were encouraged to contact teachers directly to request alternate times, including potential evening availability.

Drop-Off / Pick-Up Loop Safety:

Sara asked whether the drop-off/pick-up loop could be removed due to safety concerns. Tanis responded that removing the loop would introduce other safety issues and is not being considered at this time.

Action Items from Previous Meeting

Painted ground games for the playground will be reviewed by the Playground Coordinator.

Financial Update

Trish presented the financial update.

Halloween Dance: \$202.70 profit; however, some beverage costs were allocated to the Back-to-School Bash, reducing the actual net gain.

Financial numbers are currently incomplete due to the ongoing Big Box Fundraiser.

Field Trip Funding:

Teachers were informed that RSPC will not be providing general field trip funding this year due to the playground revamp.

A remaining \$236 from last year's fund is available for exceptional circumstances if needed.

December RSPC Meeting

Motion: Kara moved that there be no RSPC meeting in December.

Jenna H seconded the motion.

Decision: Motion carried (all in favour).

Excellence in Education Award

The Excellence in Education Award information was reviewed.

There are five award categories.

Nomination deadline: December 4, 2025.

Members interested in nominating a teacher were advised to contact Tanis or Kara for guidance on the nomination process.

Fun Lunch Update

Monica will review potential dates, possibly in December.
Fun lunches will be planned around other scheduled events.

Holiday Store

A December Holiday Store will be held for selected families (invited by Tanis) to shop for gently used donated items.

There are many donations already; items need to be sorted to identify gaps.

Volunteers:

Sara volunteered to prime the event and organize donations.

Jani will handle communication.

Monica and Robyn will assist with sorting.

Playground Coordinator Position

Playground inspection action items identified; no safety concerns noted.

Jani offered to take on the Playground Coordinator role, pending reassignment of communication duties.

Trish, Kara, and Tanis will take over monthly community email communications.

Triple Ball Hoop Raffle Update

Total profit: \$976.

Pricing will be confirmed, with the intention to order before the New Year to avoid price increases.

Big Box Fundraiser Update

49 boxes sold for a total profit of \$580.80.

Leanna will email the final order.

Once the invoice is received, Trish will issue a cheque.

Playground Update

Discussion planned with Royal Kids and Chapman, as they also use the playground daily, to coordinate future updates.

Fundraising & Community Event Ideas

Jenna H: End-of-year school carnival in mid-June.

Jani: Fun lunch on Tabloid Day as an alternative activity.

Monica: Foam party.

Leanna: Magician event (winter fundraiser or year-end celebration).

Meeting Adjournment

Time: 7:29 p.m.

Business conducted after meeting by email to be documented

Motion to approve the October Meeting Minutes

Motion made by: Jani Sorensen

Motion seconded by: Tricia Sutherland

The following is an action item from the October meeting minutes that was forgotten.

Motion to elect Jani Sorensen to be the Grade 2 Representative:

Motion made by: Jani Sorensen

Motion seconded by: Trisha Sutherland

@Leanna W - I will liaise with both Ms. Couture and Ms. Pinchin's classrooms.

Motion to approve the dance expenses as follows:

Motion Made by: Jani Sorensen

Motion seconded by: Tricia Sutherland

Halloween Party - Cost

Decorations - Kara

\$54.33

Tableclothes - Heather

\$38.65

Little Pizza Heaven

\$748.73

Halloween Candy - Jenna

\$72.70

Drinks - Jenna

\$75.89

DJ

\$380.00

Total Cost of Dance

\$1,370.30

E-Transfers

\$1,521.00

Cash at Door

\$26.00

Collected from Lunch Bunch

\$26.00

Total Funds Collected

\$1,573.00

Final Profit for RSPC

\$202.70

October meeting action items:

1. Add any new members to Whatsapp Group - I believe this is complete. If you are not apart of the Whatsapp Group but want to be please text me your phone number. My number is 204-558-5264

2. Natasha and Sara G Inquired about lowering the basketball hoops. Tanis responded to the RSPC Mailbox with the following. Given this, I personally think we should leave the hoops where they are and continue to work towards installing the Triple Ball Hoop.

We've looked into lowering the hoops, which technically is possible. There are 3 things that want me to not explore this further:

The tops are rusted into position; Lowering to the next notch will guarantee the nets will be taken off after-hours and we'll constantly be replacing them (\$20 per net – I replaced 4x last year at the current height); Lowering to the next notch will guarantee after-hour users will do their "jump shots" and hang on the rims, bending it (apparently, historically they had it briefly at the lower notch and this happened, causing hoops to become bent and unusable).